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IMMIGRATION OF U.S. JEWS IS ISRAEL'S 'FIRST PROBLEM'—SHARETT

TEL AVIV (WNS)—Foreign Minister Moshe Sharett this week told a Mapai-sponsored public meeting that the immigration of Jews from the U. S. is "the first and foremost problem of Israel."

Sharett, who upon his return recently from a tour of the U. S. had told newsmen that in the U. S. he found his most important task to be that of explaining the Israeli attitude to American Jews and that now, in Israel, he would have to try to get Israelis to understand American Jews, told the meeting that American Jews would come to Israel not "to escape but because they wanted to participate in the building of this nation."

He added that American Jews, who are free to organize and maintain relations with Jews of other countries, have an important task in serving as the tie between Israel and the U. S., with whom Israel must strive to broaden friendly relations.

TWO MORE TORAH SCROLLS STOLEN IN NEW YORK

NEW YORK—The wave of unsolved robberies of Torah Scrolls (Sifre Tora) from N. Y. synagogues, in what is believed to be a black market in the sacred scrolls, resumed last week, when two scrolls were stolen Thursday, July 31, Tish'a b'Av, from Congregation Anshe Mishnitz, Brooklyn.

Rabbi Ben Zion Pfeffer told police the scrolls were in place when the Tora was read at the morning services. When the special afternoon Tish'a b'Av services, marking the destruction of the Temple in ancient Jerusalem, were held at 4 P.M., the scrolls were missing from the Holy Ark (Aron ha-Kodesh). He assumed thieves had mingled with the congregation, hidden in the synagogue after the morning service and removed the scrolls when the congregation had gone.

Tora Scrolls have been stolen from several synagogues in the city recently, and it is believed that the thieves have been re-

Three More Tora Scrolls Stolen

NEW YORK (WNS)—Three Tora Scrolls were stolen Sunday, August 3, from the Congregation Shevet Ahim Anshe Sfard, Brooklyn, for the latest in the long series of unsolved thefts from Brooklyn and Manhattan synagogues and the second in three days.

selling the stolen scrolls to other synagogues.

In an effort to halt the robberies, all purchasers of scrolls were urged to ask sellers to show proof of legal possession.

Post To Publish First Jewish Education Issue

The August 22 issue of The National Jewish Post will be a special edition, the first Annual Jewish Education Issue, featuring discussions of the problems and prospects of Jewish education in the United States.

The issue will be of special interest to the Jewish professional, but it will be aimed at the Jewish parents, in other words, at the average Jewish layman.

Although a large number of copies of the edition will be distributed, you may reserve a copy or copies in advance, by writing to the Circulation Department of The National Jewish Post.

There will be no increase in price for the special edition; it will sell at the regular price of ten cents per copy.

Klutznick Raps NCRAC on Claim Of Solid Pro-MacIver Sentiment

CHICAGO—The debate around the MacIver Report, which has brought charges of "steamroller" and "bandwagon psychology" from representatives of the B'nai B'rith Anti-Defamation League (ADL) and the American Jewish Committee on the one hand, and of "oligarchy" and "unilateral action" from advocates of the position of the Council of Jewish Federations and Welfare Funds (CJFWF) and the National Community Relations Advisory Council (NCRAC) on the other, last week was focussed on the question of "who represents whom?"

Philip M. Klutznick, Park Forest, Ill., national vice chairman of the ADL and past grand president of B'nai B'rith District Six, in an address before the 34th annual convention of B'nai B'rith District Grand Lodge No. Six, declared that the NCRAC, which recently had stated that its affiliated community relations councils were overwhelmingly for implementation of the MacIver "coordination" proposals, actually represented only a small proportion of the American Jewish community.

'DUPLICATION' DISCUSSED

The point in question was the MacIver proposal that "duplication" is Jewish civic defense work be eliminated and the various aspects of the work assigned to the respective organizations whose present facilities, personnel and experience best suit them for given aspects.

Declaring that those who have "bandied across the continent the words 'waste and duplication'" also have "had the advantage of saying 'the communities are for

something' and we, the national organizations are 'against something'." Klutznick charged it is "an absurdity . . . an imposition on the good faith and good conscience of the American Jewish community to be put into such a position."

'AN INSULT'

"It is an insult (if not deliberate, at least in practice)," the housing expert asserted, "to say to the national Jewish agencies such as the B'nai B'rith, such as the American Jewish Committee: 'You speak for yourself, but we speak for all Israel!'"

He noted that the "communities" referred to actually are the 20 odd community relations councils existing in certain communities of the nation, actually representing only a small proportion of the American Jewish community.

N.Y. HAS NO COUNCIL

"It is interesting to note," he continued, "that no such community relations council exists in the great metropolis of New York City, wherein resides more

than half the Jewish population of the U.S. (or) in Chicago, wherein resides approximately 400,000, or nearly ten percent of the Jewish community of America, and no such community relations council exists in the multitude of small but important Jewish communities that are scattered all over the U.S." On the other hand, he claimed, B'nai B'rith represents some 300,000 men and women, not much less than the total population represented by the community relations councils.

Klutznick asserted that the "unanimity" reached at the Atlantic City conference of the NCRAC last November, which, some quarters had maintained, was unanimity on a decision to fully implement the MacIver proposals, actually was for "the sole purpose of searching for solutions," a purpose which has since been thwarted "by the oddities of structure," whereby the community councils, actually representing only a minority of American Jewry, can claim to represent the total community.

First Woman to Become Jewish Chaplain's Assistant



AIRMAN FIRST CLASS SYLVIA PILSEN, of Worcester, Mass., who became first woman Jewish chaplain's assistant when she completed Welfare Specialist training course at The Chaplain's School of Army and Air Force, Ft. Slocum, N. Y., is shown getting her final briefing from Chaplain Oscar M. Lifshutz, faculty member at school. While at Chaplain School, she learned all about materials, supplies, equipment and literature made available to Jewish chaplains by National Jewish Welfare Board (JWB). In photo at right, she is shown with Mrs. Lifshutz, blessing Sabbath candles. Airman Pilsen has been assigned to Air Force Indoc-trination Wing, Sampson Air Force Base, N. Y.



U.S. Experts Help Israel Improve Methods, Raise Production

HAIFA—American labor experts are suggesting and Israel industrial leaders are implementing ideas which already have appreciably improved production.

Under the guidance, for example, of Dr. Boris Stern, UN Technical Assistance expert, cargo unloading operations at Haifa port were improved by about 65 percent.

Following the reorganization of unloading operations, a grain ship recently was unloaded at a rate of 14.8 tons per gang and hour, six days and twelve hours ahead of schedule and 5.8 tons better than average from July 1951 to March 1952. The operation, it was estimated, saved the national treasury \$3,250 in dispatch pay.

At the same time, Professor Hy Fish, of the Labor education division of Roosevelt College of Chicago and International Labor Organization expert working with the labor efficiency institute of the Israel Ministry of Labor, reported that repair of wagons at the railway repair shops had been increased from one a month to 24.

Fish also reported that the Amcor factory was now producing 65 refrigerators daily instead of the previous

The labor efficiency expert emphasized that production could be improved 35 to 50 percent simply by "more rational works management," and did not require the installation of new machinery or the employment of more workers.

Dr. Stern, commenting on port operations methods, stated that no norms had been laid down yet, but he would be satisfied if output would average what would be considered minimum by American standards.

Declining to blame the workers or anyone in particular for the low output, Dr. Stern declared that the efficiency at which he aimed would be achieved by simple common sense, proper organization and proper management. He noted, however, that he regarded food rations for the port workers, and for all those engaged in heavy physical labor, inadequate to maintain steady maximum output.

Indicating that the relatively sudden and heavy increase in the load to be handled at the port had caught Israel short, he urged that future unloading of imports, for example, should be spaced over the whole year in the port, to avoid slackness in summer and congestion in winter.

Dr. Stern, the first port expert to be brought to Israel, also urged that better working conditions be established to encourage good workers to stay in the port permanently. He emphasized that the new pay system, replacing the previous piece-rate system, considerably reduced the tension under which the workers formerly had worked, when they tried to cram a full day's work into "five hours of excruciating effort and then go home."

He also urged the establishment of an unemployment compensation fund, to which the workers, employers and the Government would contribute, to ensure that workers would stay in the port, and not leave when work fell off, and recommended the grant of efficiency premiums for top producers. He also suggested that the Government study its tax system to see whether it is not taxing away the earning of port workers for above-average output.

The Port Management, the Histadrut, the Chamber of Shipping and the Haifa Labor Council have pooled their efforts to carry on output control after the departure of Dr. Stern.

The Jewish community of Argentina last week celebrated the publication of the 1,000th number of Die Yiddish Presse.

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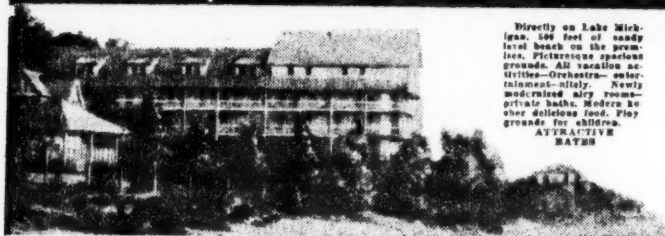


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Yanks Chase Rogovin Back to Showers

NEW YORK—The New York Yankees avenged their loss last week at the hands of Chicago White Sox pitcher Saul Rogovin by blasting Saul from the mound in a game they took from the Sox 6-2.

Four hits in the fourth inning sent three Yankees across the plate, and Saul to the showers. The defeat was Rogovin's ninth this season, against nine victories. Last year the Brooklyn-born hurler was noted for his success in baffling the Bronx Bombers, but this season Stengel's crew are meeting Saul's pitches squarely and regularly.

Sid Gordon of the Boston Braves drove in four more runs this week, raising his season

total to 44, but his batting average dropped one point to .295. He failed to connect for any home runs, his total continuing at 16.

Al Rosen's bat took a rest this week. The Cleveland Indians slugger batted in one run, raising his season total to 66, but he failed to connect for any four-baggers and his batting average dipped rather sharply from .314 to .310.

Joe Ginsberg of the Detroit Tigers, however, sent his batting tally soaring from .200 to .209. He entered this week with 24 runs batted in and four home runs to his credit.

Mrs. Rose Kirstein Dies

BOSTON — Mrs. Rose Stein Kirstein, widow of Louis Kirstein, who was chairman of the board of William Filene's Sons Company, died last week at 79. She is survived by Lincoln Kirstein, director of the New York City Ballet; George Kirstein, N. Y. health insurance executive; and Mrs. Mina Curtiss, Ashfield.

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WITTENBERG, MAKLER TALLY FOR U.S. IN OLYMPICS

HELSINKI, Finland—Not many of the 100-odd Jewish athletes serving on the teams of the 70-odd countries participating in the Olympics gave stellar performances.

Probably the outstanding exception was Dr. Paul Makler, member of the U. S. fencing team. The 32-year-old Philadelphia physician, after his team was trailing the Russian team 5-1, bedazzled the Soviet fencers to lead the U.S. team to victory.

'MAXIMUM VICTORIES'

According to a United Press dispatch, "The U. S. victory was mainly due to Dr. Makler, who scored the maximum of four personal victories out of the U.S. total of eight." The final score was 31 hits for the U.S. and 29 for Russia.

Other Americans who, though they did not gain first place victories, tallied valuable points towards the U.S. Olympics victory, included Henry Wittenberg. The N. Y. policeman won an Olympic silver medal by taking second place in the light heavyweight wrestling contests. The 1948 Olympics wrestling winner lost to the Swedish representative, after beating the Russian and Turkish wrestlers.

OUT ON TECHNICALITIES

Technicalities played havoc with two of the leading Jewish members of the U.S. The most bitter disappointment was suffered by Henry Laskau, national A.A.U. walking champion, who was disqualified from competition for failing to have one foot on the ground at all times.

The disqualification was made all the more severe because this was the second straight Olympics in which this happened to Laskau. In the 1948 games in London he was also ruled out for the same reason. This year he felt confident that he would not have any difficulty. Laskau, one of the best walkers in the world, had been given a good chance to win a gold medal in his event.

In the hammer throw, Martin Engel qualified for the finals by

throwing 164 feet, 54 inches in the preliminary rounds. However, when he came up for the final round, he fouled three times and was thereby automatically out.

RUSSIAN TAKES 2nd SPOT

Another second spot was won by Gregor Novak who, in the medium-heavy weightlifting, achieved a total of 902 pounds (for press, snatch and jerk). The Russian's 308½ for the press broke a world record. Issy Bloomberg, South Africa, was sixth in the light-heavy weightlifting competition.

Louis Baise, South Africa, placed sixth in flyweight wrestling, and Leon Genuth, Argentina, was fifth in middleweight wrestling.

Alan Jay, British fencer, reached the semi-finals in the individual epee contests, but he failed to qualify for the finals, gaining only four out of the required five wins. Peter Elliot, British diver, was 20th in springboard diving.

ISRAEL DOESN'T SHOW

The Israel team did poorly in its first Olympics effort, failing even to show in the final tally. David Tabak, Israel's champion sprinter, failed to qualify for the finals, though his 21.8 seconds set a new 200-meter record for an Israeli Aryeh Glick, also a track man, was fourth in both the 400 and 800-meter runs. Yoav Raanan, the Israeli diver, gained ninth place in springboard diving.

The Israel basketball team, which won smashing victories in pre-Olympics exhibition games against Scandinavian teams, failed to qualify, losing close games to the Philippines and Greek teams. In a friendly match against Switzerland, the Israel hoopsters won 70-61.

To Rebury Professor Yahuda

NEW YORK—The remains of Professor Avraham Shalom Yahuda, noted Egyptologist, semitics scholar and expert on Spanish-Jewish culture, who died last year in New Haven, Conn., will be brought to Israel for reburial in September. It was also announced that a "Bet Yahuda" will be built in Jerusalem to house the late scholar's large and valuable library.



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Israel Teacher Training Unified; Schools Go on Double-Shift

JERUSALEM—The Ministry of Education last week announced that a teachers' college will be established in Jerusalem to include the education department of the Hebrew University, the Hebrew Teachers' Seminary and other teaching bodies.

At the same time, the Ministry disclosed that because of the shortage of teachers, schools and educational facilities, a plan for a double-shift system for the next academic year is being considered, which will reduce by about two the number of hours children spend in school.

Under the new plan, some children will attend classes only in the morning, others only in the afternoon. Lower grade children

at present attend school 24 hours weekly, and upper grade children, 36 hours.

The new teachers' college, it is expected, will help improve considerably the quality as well as the quantity of teachers available.

Students intending to teach in primary schools will get their basic training at the university, qualifying after three years of study for the B.A. degree, with major study in pedagogy as well as in the primary school subjects. After two years, students will be permitted to start teaching in primary schools and kindergartens, with the option of returning after a year to complete their academic work or to extend their period of practice teaching.

Dr. Alexander Dushkin, formerly of the Jewish Education Committee of N.Y. and director of the Hebrew University's department of education, will head the new college.



DR. ALEXANDER DUSHKIN
Will Head New Teachers' College

CHIEF RABBINATE HQ BUILDING STARTED

JERUSALEM—Rabbi Isaac Halevi Herzog, Chief Rabbi of Israel, last week laid the cornerstone of the new building which will house the Chief Rabbinate.

The new building will house the Supreme Rabbinic Court of Israel, the District Rabbinic Courts of Jerusalem, the various departments directing religious activities, a comprehensive library and archives, an assembly hall, an institute for the study and research of Jewish law, administrative and secretarial offices and quarters for the chief rabbis.

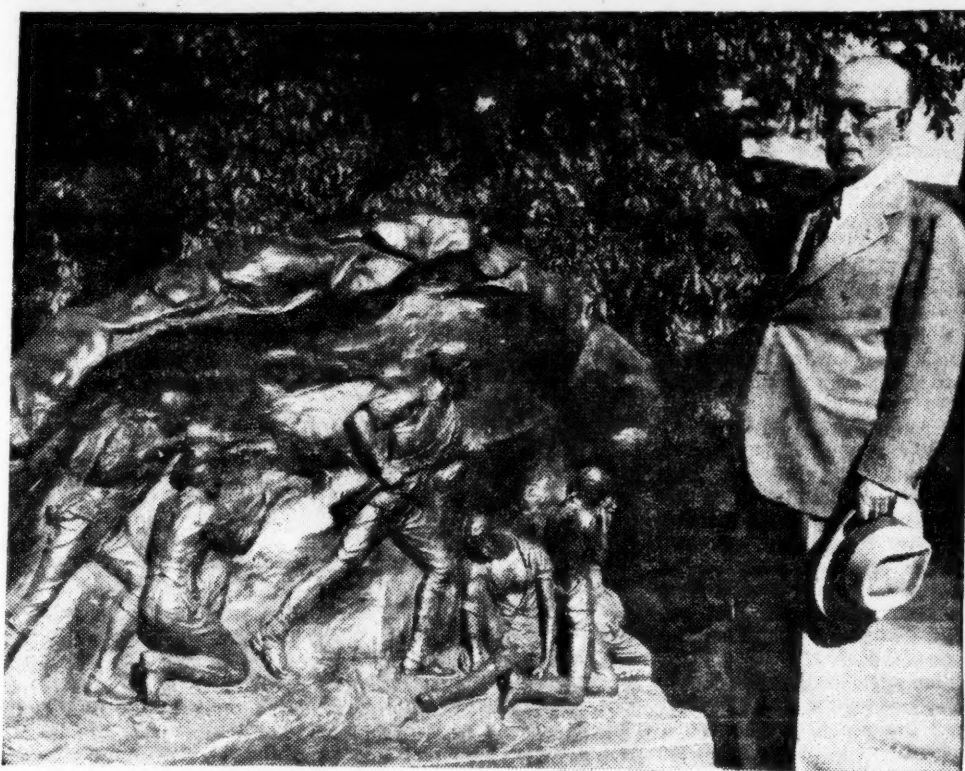
The institute will have two faculties: for training rabbinic judges and for research. Scholars are now working on a modern presentation of Jewish law, which will deal with the solution,

within the framework of Jewish law, of legal problems presented by modern living. The first work in this area, "Sale and Purchase," is soon to be published.

A special department, created in 1940, deals with the problem of the aguna, the presumed widow the death of whose husband has not been definitely established and who, under a strict, literal interpretation of Jewish law, is not permitted to remarry. It is reported that the handling of cases by this special department of the Chief Rabbinate has been instrumental in reestablishing thousands of Jewish homes. The rabbinical court system,



HERZOG



Lexington's First Jewish Settler Honored

His townfolk in Lexington, Mass., scene of one of the famed battles of the Revolutionary War, at a testimonial dinner Wednesday night, August 6, honored 78-year-old Julius Seltzer, the town's first Jewish settler and highly-esteemed citizen. The Austrian-born tailor earned the special esteem of his townfolk by his successful seven-year effort to raise funds for the construction of the Minutemen Monument on Lexington Green, depicting six American patriots resisting the British attack. The effort, which in 1920 had ended in failure, was resumed in 1942 by Seltzer and brought to a successful conclusion in 1949. The memorial, which supplements Lexington's famous Minuteman Statue, was created by Bashka Paeff, noted Jewish sculptress. A long-time fighter for freedom, Seltzer has held high office in the Lexington Minutemen Association and has long been an ardent Zionist and supporter of Israel. He has been for 35 years a member of Boston's Temple Mishkan Tefila and active, since its founding, in Boston's Combined Jewish Appeal.

established under the British Mandate, allowed for a court of seven members, headed by the two chief rabbis (now Rabbi Herzog, of the Ashkenazi community, and Rabbi Ben Zion Uziel, of the Sefardi community), with jurisdiction in matters of personal status, such as marriage and divorce. Formerly, the Ashkenazi and Sefardi chief rabbis had acted separately, in their own respective communities. There are now 21 rabbinic courts throughout the country, under the authority of the Chief Rabbinate, recognized by the government. The rabbinic Supreme Court in Jerusalem acts as a court of appeal.

The two chief rabbis also head a committee of rabbis from all parts of the country, which deals with new enactments

under Jewish law. It is reported by receiving inquiries from all that the committee is constant over the world to be settled by it.

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HADASSAH HALUTZIUT PROGRAM SEEKS QUALITY, NOT QUANTITY

By BEN GALLOB

National Jewish Post Correspondent

NEW YORK—Mrs. Samuel J. Rosensohn, president of Hadassah, told The Post last week in an exclusive interview that the Hadassah halutzit program is the product of four basic convictions:

- American Jewish youth cannot be pressured into settling in Israel as pioneers.
- The only realistic halutzit goal for American Zionism is quality, not quantity.
- American halutzit must be planned on a long-range basis.
- Such planning must include attention to the needs of American halutzim when they get to Israel.

REAFFIRMS STAND

Reaffirming previously Hadassah stands that halutzit from America cannot be based on any theory of "Negation of the Galut," Mrs. Rosensohn conceded that the halutzit program of the world's largest Zionist body had been challenged, but asserted that "we feel it is both realistic and honest."

Other highlights of the 30-minute interview, the first given by Mrs. Rosensohn to the Anglo-Jewish press since her ascension to the presidency last January, were these:

'INCLINED TO AGREE'

● On the basis of conversations with "one or two" high Israel Cabinet ministers, Mrs. Rosensohn felt that those officials, previously outspoken critics of American halutzit efforts, "would be inclined to agree with our position as a feasible and intelligent one."

● Hadassah believes that its program may eventually send "many hundreds" of young American idealists as halutzim.

● Important as agricultural halutzit is to the State of Israel, the halutzic spirit is not necessarily restricted to such pioneers.

QUESTION SUCCESS

● The success in terms of large numbers of halutzim in those Zionist parties where heavy propaganda pressure is used and where quantity is a principal criterion is questionable.

● Critics of the record of American halutzit have misread recent Jewish history and do not understand either the American Jewish community or Israel.

● Hadassah has managed to make a beginning in getting Israel leaders to understand both the limitations and possibilities of halutzit from America.

● Hadassah disagreements with the Zionist Organization of America on overall Zionist policies, both on the national



MRS. SAMUEL ROSENDOHN
'Realistic and Honest'

and world scene, have been based on the principle of independent judgement, a principle Hadassah has no intention of abandoning in the future on this as in all other matters.

'AMERICA IS DESTINED'

Mrs. Rosensohn, a member of the Hadassah national board for two decades before becoming president, declared her conviction that "America is destined to send many young people to Israel not out of negation of the Galut but in response to an inspirational challenge to help build a new nation. We want to give as many young American Jews as possible every opportunity to learn the facts and to visit Israel to see for themselves."

In line with that general objective, Hadassah provides subsidies, both independently and through the Zionist Youth Commission, to all the youth groups associated with it, for trips to Israel.

COOPERATE WITH AGENCY

"We cooperate with the Jewish Agency in sending young people to Israel to study," she said. "We help in every way consistent with our philosophy. We are constantly on the lookout for young people in our own spheres—medicine, social work, vocational education—who seem to have interests which might lead them to accept the challenge of pioneering."

Asserting that "this is not a program to be dealt with in quantitative terms," the Hadassah president said that "in the

past three years we have sent four outstanding doctors and scientists, who left positions in the U. S. far better materially than those they chose in Israel, to help build our new medical center. I regard this as true halutzit."

Stressing that she did not underestimate the significance, past, present and future, of pioneering on the land, Mrs. Rosensohn contended, however, that "the idealistic spirit of people in any field where Israel needs devoted workers, a spirit which leads them to subordinate their private ambitions to the needs of the Jewish State, is true halutzit."

NO PROPAGANDA

"We do not try to do propaganda or put tremendous pressure on young people who are not of an age to judge for themselves," she said. "To me, the only kind of right education is placing before American Jewish youth the facts and to let them study and think and arrive at their own conclusions. Naturally, we try to present the needs and opportunities of Israel to serve to stimulate their interest and devotion to Israel."

The patrician, soft-voiced president was emphatic in declaring her conviction that the American program of halutzit was "only at the beginning."

MUST BE REALISTIC

Declaring that "Israel itself is only at the beginning in respect to incorporating halutzit into its development," she said that "in many respects, American halutzim have not been handled too well. Too many have returned in disillusionment and every such person certainly hurts the whole program. It is urgent that the halutzit program be realistic at both ends."

She contended that halutzit must be understood in historical perspective. During the British mandatory regime, she recalled, there was little demand by the Yishuv (Jewish community of Palestine) for American halutzim. Certificates were hard to get and were urgently needed for the Jews being rescued from Europe.

NEED 'NEW PERSPECTIVES'

"It is only since the beginning of the Jewish State that the problem of American halutzit has taken on practical significance," Mrs. Rosensohn declared. "It takes time to work out new perspectives and to develop effective programs. I believe we are on the way, with our approach, toward making a useful contribution to halutzit. We intend to do more as time goes on."

Throughout the interview, Mrs. Rosensohn declined to use specific numbers in discussing appropriate objectives for an

GERMANS WANT CEREMONY

Leaders of World Jewry Want Quiet Reparations Signing

MUNICH, Germany (WNS)—Representatives of the West German Government would like to have the future reparations pact with Jewish groups signed at an impressive ceremony presided over by Chancellor Konrad Adenauer, it was reported here, but the representatives of Israel and the Conference on Jewish Material Claims against Germany would prefer to have the agreements signed in a quiet, businesslike way, without ceremony.

Signing of the agreement still depends approval by leaders of the Conference of the German offer to pay world Jewry \$107,000,000 in goods. Since Germany cannot pay cash, the plan would provide for adding the payment to

world Jewry to Germany's payment to Israel. The representatives of world Jewry would then arrange with the Israel Government for their share of the indemnification.

Conference leaders also wish the West German Government to enact indemnification legislation on a federal basis.

American halutzit program. One tentative exception developed in her description of the Hadassah program.

'MAXIMUM OPPORTUNITIES'

"We intend to provide a maximum of opportunities for interested American Jewish youth to acquire information about Israel, to become interested in personal service, to help them go there, to help provide means of easing the transition from our luxurious material living standards to Israel's austerity" was her summary. "We hope this program will develop to the point at which many hundreds of young people will go."

She emphasized that this "must be a long-range program, developing from a realistic understanding of our youth, the proper approach to them and the assurance that conditions in Israel will be such as to give them some hope that they will not suffer the heartbreak and disillusionment which so often occurs now."

MUST CHOOSE CAREFULLY

She added that if "candidates for halutzit are chosen with extreme care in terms of their usefulness to Israel and the likelihood of their staying in Israel, a few hundred would be as valuable and perhaps more valuable than a few thousand obtained in other ways."

Mrs. Rosensohn indicated a belief that Hadassah has "made an important dent in the thinking of Israeli leaders on this whole problem. I feel we are beginning to get closer in understanding with Israeli leaders as to what the possibilities and limitations of American halutzit actually are."

She said that to implement the described program, the Zionist Youth Commission, composed of the ZOA and Hadassah, supports Young Judea, "where young people are given the kind of education that leads them to become interested in Israel and instills in them a love of Zionist ideals and a naturally-developed interest in going there personally to settle."

SUBSIDIZES IZFA

"The commission gives a subsidy to the Intercollegiate Zionist Federation of America with the same general purpose in mind," she said, adding that "we have every intention, as we go along, of strengthening these efforts."

She said Hadassah also helps to

subsidize Zionist youth commissions throughout the United States and that Hadassah seeks to encourage as many members as possible of Junior Hadassah to go to Israel.

Hadassah spokesmen scoffed at previous reports that there was any serious differences of opinion within the Hadassah membership on the question of halutzit methods, like those within the ZOA. (NJP, Sept. 28, 1951).

Those sources declared emphatically that Mrs. Rosensohn had outlined the virtually unanimous opinion of the membership and that there was no important thinking in Hadassah favoring any all-out pressure drive for halutzim.

'WORKED AMICABLY'

Mrs. Rosensohn touched briefly on the record of Hadassah-ZOA disagreements, remarking that "we are confident of having amicable relationships with the ZOA. For years we have worked very amicably with the ZOA in the Youth Commission and in the World Confederation of General Zionists."

Reminded of some of the profound splits between Hadassah and ZOA opinion on various Zionist issues in the past, Mrs. Rosensohn declared diplomatically that Hadassah always tried to judge issues on their merits. She added pointedly, however, that "we do not feel that a stand by us on any given issue should be determined by anything but our independent judgement. We will, of course, maintain such independent judgement in the future on these as on all other problems with which we will be required to deal."

Vandals Do Damage In N.J. Synagogue

LINDEN, N. J.—Vandals broke into the Mishkan Israel Synagogue last week and smashed all the electric light bulbs and scattered burnt matches throughout the building.

Sacred objects in the synagogue were apparently untouched and the break-in appeared to have no religious significance. Police believe it was the work of youths seeking loot.

The northern New Jersey area, whose concentration of Jews is second in the nation only to N.Y., has been relatively free of anti-Semitic disturbances during the past few years. Several months ago a Jewish cemetery in West Orange was disturbed, by youths who had no thought of desecration in mind, according to police.

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Expedition to West Indies Finds Tombstone of First U.S. Rabbi

CINCINNATI—The tombstone of the first rabbi known to have officiated in that capacity in the United States; a letter written in 1765 by an American synagogue appealing to the Jewish community of Curacao, in the West Indies, for financial assistance; and a tombstone dated 1672, marking the resting place of the first Jew known to have come to Virginia were among the valuable discoveries made during a five-week expedition just concluded by four persons under the auspices of the American Jewish Archives of the Hebrew Union College—Jewish Institute of Religion (HUC-JIR).



Dr. Jacob R. Marcus, director of the Archives and professor of Jewish history at HUC-JIR, led the expedition. He was accompanied by Rabbi Ferdinand I. Isserman, St. Louis, Mo., and Rabbi and Mrs. Theodore S. Levy, Huntington, W. Va. The aim of the expedition was to discover documents and other data bearing on the lives, in the West Indies, of those Jews who became the first of their faith to settle in what is now the U. S. Driven from Brazil in 1654 by the Portuguese Government, some of those Jews returned as religious refugees to Holland. Some, however, went to Dutch Guiana, Barbados, Jamaica,

Curacao, and some went to New Amsterdam (now New York City).

In Barbados, Dr. Marcus disclosed, the expedition discovered the tombstone of Rabbi Haim Isaac Carigal, the first rabbi known to have officiated in the U. S.

In 1773, explained Dr. Marcus, Rabbi Carigal, a Palestinian, came to Newport, R. I., "as a wandering scholar—probably to obtain funds for Palestine—an early Zionist." Rabbi Carigal preached in the Newport Synagogue to a large audience, which included Ezra Stiles, a Christian minister, who later became president of Yale University, Dr. Marcus continued. The sermon was delivered in Spanish and later was translated into and printed in English. Rabbi Carigal, who was induced to remain several years as spiritual leader of the Newport Synagogue, died in 1777 in Barbados.

Dr. Marcus further disclosed that in the same Barbados cemetery in which the Carigal tombstone was found, the expedition located the tombstone, dated 1672, of Moses Nehemiah, the first Jew known to have come to Virginia. Nehemiah is believed to have been a Barbados Jew who, as the state's colonial records of 1658 show, engaged in business in Virginia, and later returned to Barbados, where he died.

Also found was the letter written in 1765, in Spanish, by the Newport Synagogue, where Rabbi Carigal had preached, appealing to the Jews of Curacao for financial assistance. The synagogue, today, a national shrine, was in financial difficulty as a result of having just completed its new building. A member of the synagogue at that time was Aaron Lopez, a leader in the whaling trade, who subsequently lost his entire fortune

in the Revolutionary War.

Dr. Marcus noted that the Barbados Jewish cemetery "has been preserved through the devotion of a Christian, Eustace Maxwell Shilstone," a leading Barbados attorney and the Queen's Solicitor. After the last Jewish family had died, Shilstone succeeded in saving the cemetery and turned it over to the Barbados Historical Society.

The noted historian further disclosed that in Dutch Guiana, the Cabinet of State held a special session to authorize the expedition to borrow old documents of historical value. The authorization was necessary, because otherwise exportation of historical papers is forbidden.

One of the most interesting items brought out by the expedition, Dr. Marcus continued, is a copy of a painting of a Rabbi Cardoze and his wife, of St. Thomas, Virgin Islands. Though the portraits are not signed, they are, according to family tradition, the work of a then young St. Thomas painter, Camille Pissaro, who later became one of the founders of French Impressionism.

In all, the expedition, which was underwritten by the Rosenwald Foundation of Jenkintown, Pa., brought back about 5,000 pages of material. In addition, the Archives will receive many photographs of historical objects, including utensils and buildings. Copies also were made of hundreds of wills, going back to the 17th century.

A detailed account of the expedition and its findings will be published in the January, 1953, issue of the magazine of the American Jewish Archives.

Israel Tora State Inevitable—Churgin

LOS ANGELES—There is "no question" that Israel will eventually develop into a Tora state, Dr. Pinkhos Churgin, president of the Mizrahi (religious Zionist) Organization of America, and head of the Teacher's Institute of Yeshiva University, asserted last week.

The distinguished Jewish scholar and educator did not discount the problem of the irreligious younger generation of present-day Israel, but felt that this attitude was not so much a rejection of religion, as a sense of rebellion against the Galut (exile) and everything associated with it.

GALUT IS A TRAGEDY

The Galut, Dr. Churgin agreed, was indeed a tragedy, "but you don't rebel against tragedy." The Galut, moreover, also had its grandeur, heroism, creativity, and passion for return to Zion.

The Mizrahi leader, currently touring the West Coast on behalf of the organization he heads, considers Israel's youth a large problem, which requires a large solution. This solution, to Dr. Churgin, is represented by what is currently Mizrahi's No. 1 project for Israel, the creation of Bar-Ilan University, named after the late Rabbi Meier Bar-Ilan (Berlin). This accords with Dr. Churgin's theory that the national character of Israel must be determined by education, not revolution.

'NOT MERELY ISRAELIS'

Dr. Churgin has been impressing Mizrahi and other religious groups on the West Coast with the "tremendous" implications Bar-Ilan University will have for the cultural life of Israel, and the shaping of the country's future. Its aim would be to create an academic youth, which will feel itself part of the Jewish people, not merely Israelis.

The university, on which construction is expected to begin this winter, is to be conducted on an American pattern. It will concentrate on its undergraduate department, train government personnel and high school teachers, and create a possibility for large numbers of American Jewish students to take their complete academic training in Israel, in a religious environment. Dr. Churgin calls this "one of the most decisive projects for Israel (yet



DR. PINKHOS CHURGIN
"Not Merely Israelis"

undertaken) by any Zionist group."

'SENSE OF HELPLESSNESS'

In the West, the Mizrahi leader found "too much of a sense of helplessness, of losing ground, of losing the younger generation" in Orthodox circles, but expects that Mizrahi will soon be strong enough in this area to rally all religious elements, particularly in support of intensive Jewish education.

A third objective of Dr. Churgin's tour was to get all the Orthodox synagogues on the West Coast to make an appeal for Israel Bonds on the High Holy Days. "The Bond Campaign must be a success!"

Accompanying Dr. and Mrs. Churgin on their tour was Rabbi Israel Friedman, national director of Mizrahi, who cited Mizrahi's contribution to the maintenance of most of the country's Hebrew Day Schools, among whom there has never yet been a "casualty."

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NEW YORK (WNS)—"A mama is always a mama," said Mrs. Bertha Hecht last week to a reporter of The New York Herald-Tribune as she walked along the corridor of the Home of the Daughters of Israel, Fifth Avenue and 107th Street, pushing her invalid daughter, Rebecca, in a wheelchair. Mama is 103 or 104 (she's not quite certain) and her "baby" is 80. Both live in the Home.

"My daughter can't walk, but I take good care of her," said the centenarian mother. "It is harder than when she was a baby, but I manage."

The daughter interrupted to say that sometimes she takes care of her mother too. Mrs. Hecht and her family came to America from Poland "maybe fifty, maybe sixty" years ago. She has six grandchildren, who have ten grandchildren of their own. Mother and daughter have been living in the Daughters of Israel Home for the past 14 years.

New Diesels Will Speed Israel Trains

HAIFA—Three 85-ton Diesel locomotive engines which arrived here from Belgium last week, will enable Israel rail passenger trains to run from 75-125 percent than they are now running.

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Israel Army Heads Tour U.S. Military Establishments

By CHARLES KLOTZER

National Jewish Post Correspondent

FORT BLISS, Texas—Israel's army food is strictly kosher and the Sabbath is the day of rest, Colonel Vivian Herzog, Military, Naval and Air Attache at the Israel Embassy in Washington told The Post in an interview.

Colonel Herzog, with Brigadier General Mordecai Makleff, Vice Chief of Staff of the Israel Defense Forces, spent two days early in July at Fort Bliss, as part of their military orientation tour of the U. S. The youthful officers are especially observing training methods, organization and development of doctrine and tactics.

Colonel Herzog, son of Israel's Chief Rabbi, also pointed out that on Yom Kippur no food is served officially in the Israel army, but those who are willing to help themselves are free to do so. Another army regulation provides for the building of a Sukka during the Sukkot festival wherever ten men are assembled. And Israel army chaplains, Colonel Herzog smiled at Fort Bliss' Jewish Chaplain Meyer Blech, have to undergo a complete and rigorous course of basic training.

The Irish-born lawyer-soldier disclosed that at present there are a good number of Israel officers attending Army and Airforce schools in the U. S. He added that a matter of public debate and serious consideration today in Israel is the introduction of cadet train-

ing, along ROTC lines, into Israel schools. (A fairly large segment of the population, fearing a militaristic trend, strongly opposes such a step). But he pointed out that the regular members of the Israel armed forces are held in high esteem by the population. This is further reflected, he added, by the pay scale, which favors the regulars to the conscripts.

The former British Army officer, who participated in the Normandy landing in World War II, explained that in Israel, the youth of both sexes are drafted at 18 and have to serve two years. Upon release, they remain members of the reserve until their 49th year, but women who may not already have been released on grounds of marriage, are released from the reserve at 34. Induction placement, according to aptitude, is similar to the U.S. Army system, and utmost attention is paid to the individual soldier's abilities.

The former Israel Chief of Intelligence said that the army is performing a valuable task in the adjustment of newcomers to Israel. Many of them, explained Colonel Herzog, cannot speak Hebrew, some even need to be acquainted with the rudiments of modern Israeli social and civil life. Training the immigrants receive in the army is especially designed to help them become oriented to life in Israel.

Israeli Arabs are not required to serve in the armed forces, Colonel Herzog said, because of the unstable situation with regard to the neighboring Arab states.

Born in Ireland, Colonel Herzog came to Israel in 1939. A law graduate of Cambridge, he is qualified to practice law in England as well as in Israel. He returned to Israel, after serving with the British Army in World War II, just before the establishment of the state, bringing with him his bride, an Egyptian Jewish girl, daughter of Israel-born parents. He was Chief of Staff of a brigade defending Jerusalem during the Israel War of Independence, and after two years as Chief of Intelligence, was assigned to his present post in Washington.

General Makleff was born in Motza, Israel, in 1920. A resident of Jerusalem, he was educated in Haifa, graduating from the Haifa Institute of Technology.

During World War II, he served in the British Army as a major in the Jewish Brigade in North Africa, the Western Desert and Italy. In the Israel War of Independence, he commanded the forces which took Haifa and fought campaigns against Syria and Lebanon as a brigade commander in the battles that freed Galilee.

Appointed head of the Israel mission to the UN Armistice Conference under the chairmanship of Dr. Ralph Bunche, he led the negotiations with Lebanon and Syria which resulted in a truce with both countries.

After serving as director of organization of the General Staff, General Makleff became Vice Chief of Staff in 1949, when he was only 29 years old.

WEST GERMANS WILL SEE 'DESERT FOX'

NEW YORK—Jewish leaders last week rapped the decision of the German Voluntary Control Board to permit the showing of "The Desert Fox," film biography of Nazi General Erwin Rommel, in West Germany.

In making its decision, the Board ruled that the film had no militarist tendencies but dealt a general's dilemma between his

conscience and his oath of allegiance.

'PROPAGANDA WINDELL'

Rabbi Israel Goldstein, president of the American Jewish Congress, told The Post that "by dismissing Hitler as a mere lunatic and absolving German generals of any responsibility for the Nazi effort at world enslavement, the film becomes a propaganda windfall for the ever more ascending German chauvinists."

Thus, he added, "the showing of the film would be a tremendous disservice to anti-militarists in Germany."

'GOOD SELLING JOB'

A spokesman for the Jewish War Veterans, who have in the past denounced the film, declared that it looked as if "Twentieth Century Fox (producers of the film) performed a first class selling job (in Germany)," expressing the fear that the film would encourage those elements in Germany which say that the generals did not share in the responsibility for the war.

REPORT FROM HOLLYWOOD

AND SO A HOLLYWOOD COLUMNIST GETS AROUND TO SOME FILM NEWS

By SHIMON WINCEBERG

I SUPPOSE, as long as the column runs under its present heading, a certain amount of legitimate film news can safely be introduced from time to time.

The other week, Melvin Fenson's sprightly editorial corner in The Jewish Post of Winnipeg, Canada, expressed regret that Michael Blankfort's "The Juggler," a new Stanley Kramer film about a hunted refugee in Israel, is already "a tailor-made script . . . only incidentally concerned with Israeli material," whose hero is helped to face himself with the aid of a "luscious kibbutznik."

In the meantime, there have been some other developments. The greater part of the picture will not be shot in Israel after all, but in Hollywood. Apparently, there is still a shortage of technical facilities in Israel.

ALSO, SOME NEW CASTING has been announced. The Israeli heroine, Yael, will not be played by an Israeli, (though two fine candidates for the role, straight out of "Faithful City," were available right here.) Instead, a "19-year-old ash-blond" named Milly Vitale, hailed by Columbia as "the most exciting foreign discovery since Garbo," has been imported here from Italy.

The role of the 14-year old Yehoshua, who helps the "Juggler" (Kirk Douglas) evade the Israel police, will be played by Joey Walsh, a New York television actor. And Karni, the sympathetic Israeli detective, will be Paul Stewart, who also appeared in Kirk Douglas' first starring film, "Champion."

A PLEASANT new Universal comedy, "All Because of Sally," formerly titled "Sally and Saint Anne," has a scene in which Ann Blyth, as a convent-educated young lady, offers to pray to Saint Anne for her delicatessen man, a Mr. Shapiro, who very badly wants to have a son, conceivably as a helpmeet in later years, to make up the pastrami-and-cheese sandwiches, and supervise the slaughter of the kosher dill pickles. (At least, that's how they do business in Los Angeles).

Anyway, Mr. Shapiro (portrayed by Joe Mell, who's beginning to build up quite a list of credits in this type role), humbly protests, "Why should an Irish saint want to do anything for a guy like me?" and is thereupon informed that Saint Anne is Jewish herself.

AND while we're on the subject of delicatessens, Stomach-Judaism, that great ally of the Jewish chaplaincy in World War II, now has also left its powerful footprints on L. A. Jewish (if you'll pardon the expression) cultural life.

The Fellowship of Congregation Sinai presents "Farfel and Old Rice," their hilarious review for '52, while an entertainer named Mickey Katz (previously responsible for something known as "Borscht Capades") is advertising an opportunity for charitable organizations to raise funds by booking blocks of "Farfel Follies."

Eighty-five British halutzim, or more than from any other English-speaking country, have left or are leaving to settle in Israel this year.



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SHOLOM KATZ' VOICE IS MORE THAN MERE WELL-TRAINED MUSIC BOX

By JOSEPH GALE

SHOLOM KATZ is one artist whose accomplishments cannot avoid having been profoundly influenced by his past. Katz was the chief cantor of Kishineff, in Roumania, at the time that tragically confused country was sucked into the Nazi orbit. The fate in store for most Jews in that place, that time, also befell him, and the cantor was thrown into a concentration camp, with the only knowledge certain that early death offered the most merciful release.

On a particular day of infamy, several hundred Jews, Katz among them, were ordered to dig their graves. Katz begged for and was given permission to sing to his people as they worked. He lifted his voice in "El Ma-leh Ramim"—the prayer for the dead, and as he sang, the assemblage around him was machine-gunned. Katz continued to sing through the chattering of the guns, the screams of the dying, and all night through the drunken carousing of his captors. Finally, the commandant of the camp told him to "vanish," since a voice such as his should not be still.

Katz fled, but whether he ever can escape so frightful a memory as this is inconceivable. Less harrowing to consider is the interpretive voice of Sholom Katz. Was it affected by what he saw and went through, or indeed, is any artist thus a product of his emotional experiences? It is difficult to believe otherwise. Listening to Katz, bearing his story in mind, one senses that his performance is more than an empty total of training and teaching.

BANNER RECORDS has brought out a boxed album, titled simply "Cantor Sholom Katz," of three ten-inch records containing the memorable prayer to the dead, and "Yizkerem,"

"B'zeis Israel," "Kol Rino," and "V'al Yedei Avodecho," to organ accompaniment.

Katz's voice is not great, but it is not one "that should be stilled," either—or conversely, it is a voice deserving to be heard, and Banner's album is a fitting tribute to both the voice and the man.

It is a simply contained tenor, and within this limit, is fully exercised. Katz brings to recital a pleasant calm and order which reduces traditional histrionics to explainable pathos. It is all a matter of interpretation; the gulf between Katz and lesser lights is that he sings with true sincerity and meaning, and that can be quite a gulf—unbridgeable, as a matter of fact.

The cantor makes the most of his assets and equipment, and Banner's album is a mood companion for a quiet day.

HANNAH KIPNIS, except that she is a soprano, is akin in style, vocal cast, and delivery to Shoshana Damari. Miss Kipnis, however, is moderately more successful on records than Damari, as three RCA Victor releases bear out. The first contains "Dani," "Purim," "Shir Haroa Bentaim," and "Gad G'di," the second, "Hora Mehudeshet" and "Molad'ti," and the third, "B'arvot Hanegev" and "Artzenu Haktantonet."

Miss Kipnis often proceeds from a normal tremolo onto a perfectly flat line, flat as a yodel modulation is flat, and this we find unnecessary and somewhat unpleasant in Israeli folk singing. But on the other hand she tightens her throat, hiding the vowels, such as Yma Sumac is wont to do before ascending, and this we find attractive, for some reason, so perhaps you, too, will.

Miss Kipnis is quite good—not as sultry as Damari, but more down to earth "sturm und drang." She is equally at home in folk lieder as in children's songs, which comprise the first record. The four little numbers there are charming and unaffected, and so are Miss Kipnis' earnest foreign-English introductions.

DENVER AD EXECUTIVE SEEKS GOVERNORSHIP

By MORTON MARGOLIN

National Jewish Post Correspondent

DENVER—Ben Bezoff, prominent state senator and civic leader, this week opened his all-out campaign for the Democratic gubernatorial nomination in Colorado.

He is the first Jewish candidate in the state to receive either party's designation to run for such a high office since the Democrats nominated and elected Simon Guggenheim to the U. S. Senate in 1906.

Bezoff, who has never lost an election, was designated as one of three candidates for the governor at the Democratic State Assembly and is making an all-out effort to win in the September 9 primary. He is competing with former Attorney General John W. Metzger, a Catholic, and attorney Wilkie Ham, a Protestant.

Bezoff's record as a state senator, state representative and speaker of the Colorado House of Representatives has been on the liberal side.

His chances in the primary are considered good, despite his designation for third place on the ballot, since he has strong liberal



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● Dear Mr. Pearlroth:

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East Chicago, Indiana

KRUPSAW is probably an anglicised version of a Polish word meaning "Freckled." Or it might be derived from the Hebrew name Eliezer. Since you failed to indicate what the original spelling of the name was, or even the approximate country of origin, it is impossible to decide which of the two possible definitions applies here.

Philadelphians Invest In Israel Oil

PHILADELPHIA—A group of 100 Philadelphians last week subscribed \$180,000 of a \$250,000 investment quota for the exploitation of oil deposits believed to be widely present in Israel's Negev.

The local quota is part of a \$2,500,000 campaign by the American Palestine Trading Corporation (AMPAL) to continue the investigation into and start commercial exploitation of the deposits which were discovered earlier this year.

AMPAL is seeking to raise the sum by issuing debentures which also carry a share of the profits of whatever oil discoveries are

this week he began stumping the western rural areas in an effort to make himself better known.

Bezoff, who runs a Denver advertising agency, is married and has two daughters. His parents came to Colorado at the turn of the oil discoveries.



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WOMEN'S VIEWPOINT

NOTHING LIKE A GOOD SHADKHAN TO IMPLEMENT WILL OF HEAVEN

By HELEN COHEN

WITH much embarrassment and a painful sense of responsibility I find myself in the role of a real shadkhan.

In response to the letter which appeared here July 25, from the man desiring a wife who was interested in keeping a traditional Jewish home, we have seven letters from girls (or their family or friends) who feel they fill the requirements and would like to make his acquaintance.

It isn't fair—seven to one—so I'll quote parts of some of the girls' letters and any male replies will be duly apportioned.

However, unless the editor wishes to use this or some other space as a medium for this type of mail, I don't see how it can be continued. (Note to yon columnist: For myself, I can use a few good mitzvot, and hakhnasat kalla has often been singled out by the Sages as a mitzva of special merit.—M.K.)

I COULD TRY GIVING a bit of thankless advice to my own sex, neither suggestion being an easy or necessarily happy solution.

First, there is supposed to be an overabundance of unattached males in Israel and I have the impression that American girls, certainly college-educated ones, are especially sought after.

Or you might try another look at the home-town (or nearby city) boy, with the thought that one must take what one can get.

WELL, HERE IS what some of the girls wrote:

Miss A: (This one was sent in by a friend, without the girl's knowledge): Age 26, daughter of a fine and religious family . . . good looking, religious, a happy temperament, college graduate . . .

Miss B: 28 years old, very attractive, 5' 4½", brunette, college education, good Hebrew education, secretary in a large organization. She writes: "A blend of the modern and the beautiful spiritual Jewish lore and tradition (in a home) is something from which, for me, dreams are made of . . . Your aid to a Jewish daughter will be deeply appreciated."

Miss C: Little past 30, college graduate, neither drinks nor smokes, feels the same way about a Jewish home as does the young man.

Miss D: 25 years old, college graduate (M.A. in English), 5' 3" tall, brown hair and eyes, a social worker, comes from a traditional Jewish home. "If God should bless me with a husband and home of my own, I would keep such a home for him."

Miss E (written by parent): late 20s, college graduate, does not work on the Sabbath, has nice job, does not smoke or drink.

Frank L. Weil Named

NEW YORK (WNS)—Frank L. Weil, honorary president and ten years president of the National Jewish Welfare Board, has been named chairman of the Jewish Community Center Centennial Committee, which will plan commemoration of the establishment of the first Jewish community center in the U.S., the Baltimore YMHA, in 1854.

Tora va'Avoda Parley

GENEVA, Switzerland—Shlomo Z. Shragai, former Mayor of Jerusalem, headed the Israel delegation to the Tora va'Avoda (religious labor Zionist) conference here this week, which is being attended also by representatives of the movement from Britain, France and other European countries, as well as from North Africa.



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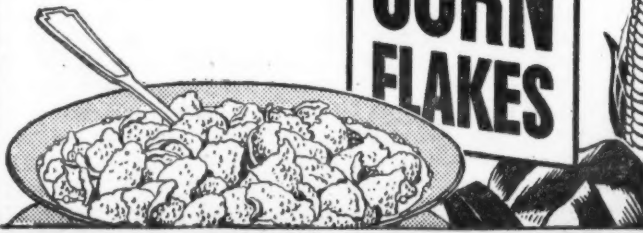
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Mr. Klutznick Ignores History Behind MacIver Proposals

PHILIP M. Klutznick's speech to the annual convention of the B'nai B'rith District Grand Lodge No. 6 on "Facts and Myths about Jewish Community Relations" seeks to defend the position of the Anti-Defamation League of B'nai B'rith (ADL) and the American Jewish Committee in resisting implementation of the proposals in the MacIver Report.

The speech is far from incendiary, and might even be called thoughtful, were it not for the fact that it ignores the history leading up to the MacIver Report.

Actually, in the MacIver proposals, which Mr. Klutznick claims have been revised so that they are dissimilar to the original recommendations of the Columbia University professor, the Anti-Defamation League is paying for the mistakes it has made in underestimating the strength of the American Jewish community and its intelligence.

When the National Community Relations Advisory Council (NCRAC) was organized ten years ago with the reluctant blessings of Henry Moskowsky of the B'nai B'rith and Judge Joseph Proskauer of the American Jewish Committee, the community relations field was almost under the complete control of these two agencies. They received the bulk of funds allocated to work in the field, and they made the decisions and set the tones and the attitudes in the work.

Since they controlled the field, they acted as if they owned it and despite the expressed wishes of many Jewish communities, the Anti-Defamation League in open defiance was opening offices of its own, conducting its program as if it were an autonomous body, and proceeding to tell the local communities to mind their own business. In fact, at the annual general assembly of the Council of Jewish Federations and Welfare Funds at which the ADL and the American Jewish Committee were forced to concede to the establishment of the NCRAC, the communities of South Illinois told the delegates of just such arbitrary action. Denver, Colo., was another community where the ADL was proceeding to open an office against the wishes of the local Jewish community.

The question whether the ADL wagged the American Jewish community or was responsible to that American Jewish community was fought out year after year, in the general assemblies of the CJFWF.

But an even greater reason why the ADL and the AJCommittee are now faced with the demand that they finally yield their suzerainty to the American Jewish community is the mistakes these two agencies made in their programming. The American Jewish Congress, young and vigorous and guided by the brilliant mind of the late Pekelis, advocated the use of law to fight discrimination, the fighting of anti-Semites openly instead of by behind the scenes activity, and urged that the Jew espouse the rights of all minorities to safeguard his own rights.

The ADL and the American Jewish Committee, which today have almost taken that program over completely, opposed this kind of "radical" activity. They fought against it, and yielded only after many years of opposition. Today that program is the program of the American Jewish community.

So the ADL and the AJCommittee are paying for their mistakes and for their opposition to progressive measures in the civic defense field.

In his talk to the B'nai B'rith convention, Mr. Klutznick had this to say:

"If we permit the establishment of a single controlled agency in the field of community relations, we have taken but the first step to the establishment of a controlled agency in Jewish education. We have taken but the first step in the establishment of a single controlled agency in every aspect of Jewish life. If it is good there, it is good everywhere else."

Mr. Klutznick is here missing the point. All association whether voluntary or not, is subject to controls. When Mr. Klutznick was defeated for the presidency of the B'nai B'rith at the last election, he lost because when the votes were counted more people had voted for Frank Goldman. This is a form of control, is it not? But is it a democratic control.

So the question is not of controls but whether they are democratic controls. If they are, then as good citizens of the American Jewish community, the B'nai B'rith and the American Jewish Committee must yield to the expressed will of the community.

Mr. Klutznick challenges the democracy in the adoption of the proposals which grew out of the MacIver Report, seeking to show how the vote of one man changed the outcome, and also asserting that since the New York and Chicago Jewish communities are not represented in the voting, a large area of the American Jewish community has been disenfranchised. This kind of appeal comes with little grace from the organization which has sought to clamp the vise of its own suzerainty on the American Jewish community through the Anti-Defamation League.

At Chicago, at the last general assembly of the CJFWF, Mr. Klutznick seemed to indicate that he, if not his colleagues in the ADL, was ready to rest his case on the decision of the American Jewish community. At the time, The Post termed that kind of view real statesmanship. The ADL is still a very powerful agency in the American Jewish community, and its years of usefulness for good for the Jew and for American democracy can be many. But if the ADL leadership continues to repeat the errors in judging the sentiment and will of the American Jewish community which Henry Moskowsky made, and which Frank Goldman is continuing, then the ADL will hasten the day of its own submergence as an important American Jewish organization.

Cooperation, Not Only Coordination

THE proposal that Abba Eban head the committee to coordinate the activities of the United Jewish Appeal and the sale of Israel bonds in the U. S. cannot be challenged successfully.

Although the problem is clearly one that involves only the American Jewish community, since the sale of bonds and the UJA are both enterprises of the American Jewish community, it must be understood that Israel, as the beneficiary of both, has a direct concern in the matter.

But there is even a stronger reason why an Israeli official should head the effort. In past conflicts between the two groups, it was inevitable that Israel would be the court of final decision, and as a result Israel was roped in to make a decision, since there was no one else who could do so. Whichever way Israel decided, she was bound to alienate one or the other agency.

Under the proposed committee, with Eban at its head, and with Americans making up the

committee, this situation at least will be obviated.

It is also true that the area of conflict between the Bonds and the UJA has been narrowed, so that there is really no major issue at stake that could not be resolved by negotiation.

But merely removing conflicts between the UJA and the Israel Bond organization should not be the sole aim of the new committee. What is more important in the long run is bringing about a situation where the two agencies will actually cooperate, and actively. As it is now, except in isolated communities, the two efforts, if they do not actually compete with one another, do not work hand in hand as they should.

The UJA workers rarely are active in the bond selling organization and vice versa.

This is the situation that the new committee should seek to repair. Active cooperation instead of mere coordination should be its real aim.

Is Chaplain Scolnic Wrong?

THE flood of near abuse heaped on Chaplain Samuel Scolnic for his letter on the need of the Jewish GIs in Korea for Jewish reading matter may or may not be warranted, and frankly we are a bit disturbed by the violence of some of the language in the letters answering him. If by indirection Chaplain Scolnic belittled somewhat the work of the good ladies involved in the Jewish Welfare Board's program for the GIs, we still think that the attacks on him were inclined towards the vicious.

We've made a few inquiries of returned Jewish GIs, and their answers all seemed to substantiate Samuel Scolnic: that there was a great dearth in Jewish reading matter. They indicated that the Red Cross supplied them with some of

the soft-backed reprints of current literature, but no one seemed concerned with giving the Jewish GI Jewish reading material.

It just could be that the JWB might learn something from Chaplain Scolnic. But in any event, just to check up, we're asking our correspondents throughout the U. S. each to interview at least two Jewish GIs back from Korea on the question raised in Chaplain Scolnic's letter. Then we'll have a fairly accurate cross section.

Who knows but that Chaplain Scolnic might be right and his detractors wrong. Honest criticism might be resented initially, but in the long run, cutting ourselves off from it is the best way to grow insular and to continue making mistakes.

THE EDITOR'S CHAIR

IN ISRAEL we were shown one of the last, if not the last, tent camps. By now, almost all of the newcomers have been taken out of tents and given permanent houses. True they were still in ma'abarot, which are work camps, but they were living either in aluminum or other types of prefabricated huts, which are not tents by any means.

The last issue of the United Israel Appeal bulletin carried a photograph of immigrants in tents, and the United Jewish Appeal has just sent us a photograph to be used in our Rosh Hashana edition showing, in their own words, "two sisters stand (ing) before the entrance of their canvas shelter in one of Israel's tent cities."

Now there is no question but that the food situation in Israel is bad, if not desperate. Those families with friends and relatives in the United States who send them food packages can supplement their regular rations and manage quite well. But the new immigrants must suffer both from the dullness and from the inadequacy of their diet.

This is a strong appeal, and both the UJA and the UIA can use it just as effectively to loosen pursestrings as these pictures, which no longer are accurate to any great extent.

THIS GOES back to the theme of my reports on Israel—let's give the American Jewish public the facts about Israel straight. Once we do that, it is my belief, the American Jewish community will do all within its power to aid Israel.

The fight now is an economic one. Israel must be helped to economic self-sufficiency. An economic fight cannot be won overnight, and the American Jewish community, commercial minded as it is, will understand that it will take another ten years, more or less, before Israel can hope to stand on its feet.

Once again, it will demonstrate that truth is the best weapon. Let the Jewish community know, and it will respond. If we continue to try to fool it, then it will be confused. You will hear grumbling, and giving to the UJA and buying of bonds will both be affected.

AS IT IS, it is as urgent now that Israel be helped as it ever was, even though the danger from Arab invasion is practically zero, and some of the other emotional appeals employed in the past no longer have validity. We saw no ragged children in Israel, in fact, the children were the saving grace of the situation. So let's have an end of these pictures showing tents, and bedraggled children, and other promotions giving fallacious impressions.

What may have been necessary to cause the American Jew to open his pocketbook last year, was one thing. We think the time has come to change the appeal.

I know one thing. If we were Israelis we would resent this kind of approach, which, to use the honest word, is nothing but begging. You have only to mention this to the Israelis if you want to see hot indignation. The Israelis are anything but beggars. They have willingly undertaken the job of rebuilding a broken-down land into a successful nation of Jews. But they always thought that they were only partners with the rest of the Jews of the world. They understood that what they were doing was acting as the surrogates for all of us. They knew that their share of the work was the hardest, because it meant their lives which were being spent in toll and danger, while we were sharing only in the matter of money.

CAN'T YOU SEE then how wrong it is to look upon them as beggars?

They are anything but that. They are proud, honest, sacrificing. You wouldn't go into a partnership with someone, assign him the most difficult part of the job, and then, just when success is in sight, when all the dangers had been surmounted, after your partner had risked his life more than once and in more ways than one, start to withdraw your capital so that he would be strangled. That would be senseless, let alone heartless and cruel.

We are mature enough to understand this. The Israelis have a right to think that we are. We have an obligation to the Israelis to understand it; otherwise we are just plain damn fools.

IN ISRAEL there are many Israeli soldiers still confined to the hospitals. They get good care, I am sure, but suffer evidently from the same lack of recreational and diversion material as does anyone who can't get on his two feet and walk to the beach, to the movies or to a concert. A Mrs. Lewin-Epstein has been taking care of these needs, as best as she is able, for years. One of the many things she wants for her soldiers scattered in army hospitals and also for regular army personnel in camps throughout Israel is just what you have plenty of—playing cards.

Now I know that not many Jewish Post readers waste their time in playing bridge or even pinocle, or, as in Indianapolis, gin rummy, but your friends must, so with a little bit of inquiring we should be able to round up perhaps several thousand packs of used cards (new packs will of course be appreciated that much more) and provide that much recreation for Israeli soldiers. Address them to Mrs. Madeleine Lewin-Epstein, P.O. Box 728, Jerusalem, Israel. Be sure to mark, "For Army Use" on the package, in order to eliminate the need for paying duty on it.

IN MY editor's chair of several weeks back telling of my trip to Kansas City and luncheon with Rabbi Gershon Hadas, I remarked on the revolutionary request he made of his board when Rabbi Abraham J. Karp was named co-rabbi—that he be given a salary equal to his own. Everything was in order except that I had Rabbi Karp's name wrong. But it's right now thanks to Rachel Librowski, who advised me of my error.

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Korean Chaplains Dispute Chaplain Scolnic's Burden Against JWB

Editor, National Jewish Post:

A piece entitled, "Jewish GI's that the morale was amazingly high; and furthermore the closer I believe, he is expressing the sentiment of his colleagues in Korea today.

The chaplains are dumped into the company of those whose morale is low and the usefulness of their ministry questioned. I don't know what kind of professional company Chaplain Scolnic keeps but I question whether his colleagues would honestly agree with him. The fellow with in Korea had much to give, and many found their ministry the most challenging and worthwhile experience in their careers. A few days ago a copy of a letter written by a Marine Division Chaplain crossed my desk and I read the following:

"Spring is upon us
Thanks be to God, the Com-
mies are not
Blossoms are on the hillsides,
Dust is thick on our hides
But our hearts are high."

The chaplain is not a poet, but, fense and break open his cartons. In such places there are kids who live in holes, wash out of helmets, eat out of cans, sleep in bags and write letters on empty ammunition boxes. He would be overwhelmed by customers and he would smile and shed a tear too.

Reading material—even comic books—have a place in Korea. Why should Korea be any different than home in this respect. If Chaplain Scolnic can use Jewish reading material why doesn't he request it from the Women's Division of the Jewish Welfare Board? Has he read the lists of pamphlets, books and periodicals published and made available by the National Jewish Welfare Board? No agency in Jewish Life has done as much in meeting the needs of Jews in uniform. The Board has been rendering such services for decades and most energetically during the recent war years.

Chaplain Scolnic is obviously a newcomer to the Chaplaincy. As he matures in his duties as a Chaplain, he will meet the great challenge. No one needs a Rabbi more than the "kids" in uniform. He will recognize the indispensable partnership of the services of the Jewish Welfare Board and the successful implementation of his duties. He will learn how to use their invaluable services and materials. He will both marvel and appreciate this phenomenon—that out of an American Jewish community with its differences and conflicts, an agency has emerged which has admirably succeeded in carrying out a great program of invaluable services to the men, women and families in the Armed Forces of our country.

LCDR ELIHU H. RICKEL
Chaplain, U. S. Navy
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WHOSE EDITORIAL WAS IRRATIONAL? RECONSTRUCTIONIST WANTS TO KNOW

Editor, National Jewish Post:

We are slightly amazed at your lead editorial ("An Amazing Editorial") of July 4th, which takes us to task for our editorial on Summer Institutes and their relation to year round adult study programs. We are more than slightly amazed at your unwarranted charges that the editorial was in "poor taste" and "one of the most irrational editorials to appear in a Jewish journal of standing in years."

We are very much disturbed that your editorial writer completely misunderstood the editorial and reached conclusions which, we are sure, a fair reading knowledge of the English language would not have permitted him to reach.

To set the record straight: The title of the editorial was "Stimulating But Not Wholly Satisfying." The point of the editorial was to commend the summer institutes, especially Wildacres, for their excellent and imaginative handling of summer study. The editorial, however, cautioned against viewing summer study as sufficient for an adequate adult study program. It pointed out that for all their remarkable success the summer programs by themselves were only a part of a general program of year round adult study. It lamented the lack of a working relationship between summer and winter programs and offered suggestions for constructive planning which would provide "follow ups" for the summer activity and "tie-ups" with general year round study programs.

Since you did not offer one quote in support of your arguments, may we just offer a few for the benefit of your readers.

"The enthusiasm which the summer institutes generate must, however, be carefully examined because there is danger that claiming too much for them may counteract the good they can achieve... There is no gainsaying the fact that the summer experience has tremendous value... But it is no substitute for the all-year-round practice of Jewish learning... Unfortunately, there are some excited devotees of the summer institute who place too much faith in the efficacy... The institute raises the students to a pitch of enthusiasm; it creates

a demand. But that demand if not satisfied, subsides and cannot later be revived. This means, that there must be a closer tie-up between groups that run summer institutes and those who are responsible for the regular institutions of Jewish adult education... A recognition of the need for more careful planning and a follow through will certainly correct this situation..."

Pray tell, what is "irrational" about this? Since when is it in "poor taste" to voice these opinions? The fact remains that a number of people think that the summer activities are a panacea for all the ills of Jewish education. The fact remains that the editorial writer has long been active in adult summer study programs and knows the situation first hand. The fact remains that we did not as your editorial writer suggests, propose an either/or situation of summer study versus winter study. On the contrary, we tried to offer a suggestion that they complement each other. It is quite to the point to question the claims of any Jewish agency (a policy quite familiar to Post readers), especially when many backers of summer institutes and your editorial writer confuse the success of the institute per se (as a three or five day venture) with its success as a force in overall Jewish education.

May we suggest that "one of the most irrational editorials to appear in a Jewish journal of standing in years" was the one which took to task fellow editorial writers who, with logic instead of rhetoric, tried to point out a shortcoming in Jewish life.

RABBI HAROLD WEISBERG
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In your July 11 issue there appeared a letter from Chaplain Samuel Scolnic, now serving in Korea, upon which I should like to comment. One month ago I returned from an eleven month tour of duty in Korea. As Assistant I Corps Chaplain I served all Jewish troops on the western front lines, as well as all those in the western sector.

Unlike Chaplain Scolnic I found the aid and services of the National Jewish Welfare Board, their Division of Religious Activities, and their Women's Division indispensable to the execution of my duties.

Words are inadequate to describe the extraordinary service which the Women's Division and their committees throughout the country render. Chaplain Scolnic enumerates the various items which were sent to him. These items are not shipped at random. They are sent only upon the request of the chaplain in filling out a checklist submitted by the Women's Division and in the quantity requested by the Chaplain.

Chaplain Scolnic further states that "men can get any of these

items at a PX here without any difficulty." Theoretically, this is true. However, it has been my own experience in the Western sector that many of these items were often missing from the shelves. I can recall the 8th Army chaplain (Chief Chaplain of Korea) asking me if I had any after-shave lotion to spare because he could not find any in the PX. This in a rear area where the PX's are much better stocked. Nor is this an isolated case, but rather one of hundreds.

There is one factor which Chaplain Scolnic loses sight of entirely and that is the fact that these items sent by the women, no matter how insignificant to us in the U.S.—a comb, a toothbrush, a washcloth—have tremendous value as morale boosters for our fighting troops. The fact that someone in the States is thinking of them, has taken the time to wrap a package for them, has not forgotten them—too much cannot be said of the inestimable value of this service. The women are to be most highly praised and commended for the valiant role they are playing in keeping high the morale of

the men overseas.

Finally, Chaplain Scolnic appeals for good Jewish reading material—periodicals and books—for Jewish troops. In this I am in full accord with him. However, had the chaplain requested this material from the JWB and their Women's Division I know that it would have been rushed to him. Requests cannot be filled for items which have not been requisitioned.

I have written this letter in the interests of fair-play and justice and my comments and statements are based on my own vast experiences in Korea with almost a thousand Jewish men. RABBI HARRY Z. SCHREINER
Morristown, N. J.

Editor, National Jewish Post:

A letter from one of our Jewish chaplains in Korea which you considered sufficiently newsworthy to publish in your July 11 issue aptly describes most of us here as "miserably homesick, tired and bored." We know that the entire Korean affair has become "back page news" and that makes us feel like forgotten men. All this makes most re-

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Freedom of the Press

(Continued from preceding page) regrettable the fact that in an appeal for "decent reading material . . . of a Jewish nature" the chaplain minimizes and belittles the efforts of one of the most energetic, devoted and loyal teams of the Jewish Welfare Board—The Women's Organizations Division. Let me assure you that Chaplain Scolnic's comments are just one man's opinion. I, for one, do not concur in them and I feel sure that many

of my colleagues here in Korea feel as I do about the Women's Organizations Division. They are the biggest morale building factor we have in Korea. These women are the mothers of our boys and they never forget us.

As for the items sent out by the Women's Division—for the information of your readers (and I do hope you will find it possible to publish this comment) a "Check List" is sent to each chaplain so that we indicate what items we would like to re-

ceive. There are even blank spaces for us to "write in" any items we might want. And we need not check any items the handling of which we consider embarrassing.

It is not correct to say "That the men can get any of these items (distributed by the Women's Division) at a PX here without the least difficulty." At the present writing there is not a "double edge" razor blade to be had in any PX in this area for any price. The only one who has them is the Jewish chaplain—for free, thanks to the Women's Division of JWB. In the eleven months that I have served in Korea I have not seen a single pipe or tobacco pouch for sale in any P.X., just to name two items at random. The Jewish chaplain has them—corn-cob and briar for free, with a package of tobacco and pipe cleaners for good measure. All because of the Women's Division of JWB. They have even sent me home-made gefilte fish in glass jars for our Oneg Shabbat. You can't buy that in a P.X.

There is no doubt that opportunities are available here for our Jewish boys to be exposed to literature of Jewish content.

We can use all the extra copies of The National Jewish Post and other publications we can get. My boys are glad to have them; but a lot of the fellows like to smoke a pipe while they read.

I hope many of your readers send Chaplain Scolnic their copies of your newspaper when they finish with it, and that none of them take seriously his comments about the morale building work of the Women's Organizations Division of the Jewish Welfare Board. God bless them—their hearts are in the right place, as is the work of their hands.

MAJOR
MAURICE KLEINBERG
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tion of her child by the Protestant couple and the American Jewish Congress brief argued that to disregard the wishes of a parent in respect to the religious upbringing of the child would be a violation of the parent's religious liberty.

The brief argued, first, that the statute under which the lower court had refused to permit the adoption had been erroneously interpreted, and second, that even if it had been correctly interpreted, it was unconstitutional under the religious freedom clauses of the United States and Massachusetts constitutions.

LEO PFEFFER
Assistant Director, Committee on Law and Social Action, American Jewish Congress.

Cites Facts on Adoption Of Catholic Child

● Editor, National Jewish Post: The July 11th issue of The Post carries on the front page an account of the decision of the Massachusetts court in allowing a Jewish couple to adopt a child of a Catholic mother.

In the course of the account reference is made to a case in which the Massachusetts Supreme Court allowed a Protestant couple to adopt a child born to a Catholic mother.

The account then states "The American Jewish Congress had filed a brief amicus curiae in this case in which it pointed out that although religion was an important consideration in adoption, the welfare of the child was of prime importance." This statement is incorrect.

In this case, the Catholic mother consented to the adop-

Edwin H. Mosler Dies

NEW YORK—Funeral services were held last week at Temple Emanu-El for Edwin H. Mosler, who died at 76. President of the Mosler Safe Company, it was under Edwin Mosler's direction that the vaults containing the nation's gold were installed at Fort Knox, Ky. His firm also built the vault door in a Hiroshima, Japan, bank, which withstood the 1945 atom bomb blast. The Mosler company's most recent outstanding contract was for the construction of the vault in the National Archives Building in Washington, D.C., in which are displayed the original copies of the Declaration of Independence, the Constitution and the Bill of Rights.

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Irving Miller Would Do Well To Keep Direct Wire with Ben Gurion

By M. Z. FRANK

ISRAEL can get along without the Jewish Agency in Jerusalem and in New York. It can get along without the Keren Hayesod (Palestine Foundation Fund) and the Keren Kayemet (Jewish National Fund). It can get along without the Gevevkschaften Campaign and many other campaigns. But for a long time to come Israel cannot get along without the support of world Jewry, especially American Jewry. Without a strong nucleus of a Zionist movement, the help of world Jewry to Israel will lose its most important stimulus outside of Israel and may be dissipated.



FRANK

For a while it may seem that the existence of the Zionist movement is unnecessary, that this or that great endeavor can serve as a substitute. But in the long run, over a period of years, the Zionist movement is needed as a residue of pro-Israel sentiment, as a reservoir to draw from. If the Zionist movement should continue along its course of disintegration, a new one will in time have to be created. It is better to improve and revive the old one. It is easier.

THE LAST ZOA CONVENTION and its results have strengthened the possibilities of reviving the existing Zionist movement. But it is only a new chance. The mere fact that the ZOA has a president of high caliber is not in itself a guarantee of success. Silver and Neumann were of pretty high caliber, yet the disintegration of the ZOA began under their regime, because they had no program for the movement, except the political work, in which they achieved a splendid success, and the petty Israel politics, in which they scored a miserable failure. They paid no attention to the moral and intellectual standards of the movement, to infusing it with real Zionist spirit, to giving it a real content for the day after May 14, 1948.

Where Silver could fail, Miller can fail. Unless he has learned the lesson. Or unless he can learn it.

There are a few elementary laws in political and communal life which are as immutable as the physical laws we are familiar with. In our Zionist work we fail to take them into consideration.

You cannot apply pressure unless you have force behind that pressure. There are moral forces, economic forces, political forces, military forces. But verbal and formal expression of these forces do not, in themselves, constitute force.

AN ARTICLE BY BERNSTEIN or Livneh published in the Zionist Quarterly forms a part of a moral force and can be used as moral pressure. A comprehensive report on the mishandling of tourists and investors in Israel, carefully checked for facts and figures, is not only moral pressure, but it is potentially also an economic pressure.

An organization which consists of so many potential tourists and investors such as the ZOA will be listened to when it presents a factual report on tourist and investment matters. The Government will not be able to repudiate such a report as political interference. Nobody can deny that the ZOA has a direct interest in the way its members are handled when they come to Israel to tour the country or to explore the possibilities of investment. But a demand, even a mere suggestion, by the ZOA to Ben Gurion to take in the General Zionists into the Cabinet will elicit the prompt reply that it is none of their business and that this constitutes political interference by citizens of another country. Nor will a resolution to such effect by the Zionist Congress or the Zionist General Council be treated with more respect.

Since May 14, 1948, there is no legal foundation for the influence of the Zionist movement on Israel's development. The moral and other foundations are much weaker than those of the ZOA—because behind the ZOA there is a large membership with great potentialities to help Israel, while behind the Agency and the Congress there is only hot air.

SO I THINK IRVING will do well to keep a direct wire with BG. Once you have that wire open, you can occasionally use it to express criticism and demands. But be careful of your facts, and take care not to become a mere mouthpiece for the Saphir-Serlin group. Each case should be judged on its merits, as the group representing the ZOA sees it.

A readiness to do something constructive is a good backing for representation. That is a real moral force and can exert moral pressure. Just let any ZOA group any group, come to BG and say: "We think your way of handling the young Americans who come here to settle is stupid. We are ready to put up a dormitory and a housing project, but we want land and exemption from your stupid import taxes and luxury taxes for the material we bring to build houses with." I guarantee that group will be listened to and get an awful lot of cooperation.

There is no moral force in the vulgar exhibitionist performance of the opening of the ZOA House in Tel Aviv. But if the House is run right, if it can show that it keeps tourists in Israel happy and interested and prolongs their stay and makes them feel like coming back, then the place may become a source of strength and influence for the ZOA in Israel and in America.

There is no moral force in the clumsy and infantile limitations of the toothpaste ads which go for ZOA propaganda in the U. S.; there is no moral force in running a mug sheet and calling it a Zionist organ. But let the ZOA send a substantial number of young men and women for study in Israel each year; let it push the Zionist Quarterly and make it a monthly and it will again gain weight.

THERE IS ROOM FOR AMERICAN influence in Israel. But you have to realize its limitations, you

have to know how to mobilize it and channel it. The ZOA cannot do it all, but it can do a great deal. Until now, it has exerted practically no influence in Israel, while other American Jewish groups have.

The American Technion Society is gradually introducing American teaching methods in training engineers; ORT is introducing American teaching methods in training artisans; the Palestine Economic Corporation and its subsidiary, the Bayside Land Corporation, are introducing American business methods and business management; the Alliance Tire Company is teaching its partner, the Solel Boneh, something Solel Boneh had not bargained for—American management. Solel Boneh found out it had got itself a partner that won't just sit back and let Solel Boneh run things the sloppy old way.

But there is a difference between the Alliance Tire Company and the ZOA—the American partners of the Alliance Tire Company have an investment in Israel of money, equipment and skill. They have proven ability to manufacture and to market tires and to manage a large concern. The ZOA has nothing comparable to back its demands on the Government of Israel. Such force has to be created.

Whatever the resolution on identification with the General Zionists in Israel may mean, it will mean some contact between the ZOA and the General Zionists in Israel. Will the ZOA undertake to teach the GZ in Israel something more than a mere few tricks to try to win an election? Will they teach them how to behave like a constructive opposition, so that the public might come to respect them and be ready to entrust them with the Government? Will the ZOA try to establish economic cooperation with private enterprise in Israel? If it does that, it will gain political and economic power.

BUT IRVING MILLER SAYS he will try to influence the GZ through the World Confederation. I think that what is said and done by American Zionists in America has resonance and effect. What some delegates will say at the world conference is like a ray of light refracted so many times that nothing is left of it.

All questions in which the ZOA is interested ought to be fully discussed in America—in the press, at district meetings, at regional conferences, at Administrative Council sessions and, only in the final stages, at the world conclaves.

The foundation of the Zionist movement lies in the membership of the various Zionist bodies. That is why the American Zionist Council is more important than the American Section of the Jewish Agency.

You can have either a popular movement, or you can shout your lungs off about your past glory and paper rights, and get nowhere. Look at the Jewish Agency.

I hope I have made it clear that I consider Irving Miller's job a pretty tough one. I wish him success. If he succeeds, nobody outside of himself will be more pleased than I will.

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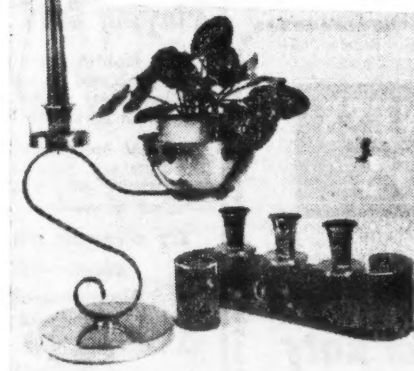
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Here on a visit with his wife, whose mother is buried in Jerusalem, General Sarnoff predicted that within five years "the continents will be linked by television and we in America will be able to see what you are doing here in Israel and you will see what we are doing in the U.S."



SARNOFF

On the simpler matter of television within Israel, the General noted that the entire country could be linked fairly easily with four transmitters. When he first arrived in Israel, however, he had remarked that television was not so much a technical problem as it was a financial one, referring to the fact that Israel was not yet in a position to spend valuable foreign exchange on television equipment.

DROP IN IMMIGRATION WORRIES ISRAEL

JERUSALEM—The original concern in Israel over the possible consequences of tidal waves of "unlimited" immigration now has changed to concern over the sharp drop in immigration.

No figures for July were available, but it was estimated that the number of immigrants during the month was even smaller than the 1,700 that entered the country in June, though at the end of June, Jewish Agency immigration officials had estimated that more than 2,000 would enter during July and even more during August and September.

According to one Agency official, "there just are no applicants for emigration from any of the countries from which Jews are still able to emigrate." A "reasonable number" had been expected to arrive from Tunisia and Morocco, he said, but even these are not forthcoming.

Asked whether the selectivity program, which gives preference to the young and able, might be responsible for the drop, another Agency official said he did not think so, since where it is found that an entire family might be prevented from entering the country because of one member's illness, the sick person is allowed to enter.

Meanwhile, Israel is proceeding with its program of recruiting doctors to be sent particularly to the North African countries, where potential immigrants will have to be cleared by the doctors before they will be allowed to enter Israel.

Adobe Housing Units Started in Israel

HAIFA—The UN has granted \$65,000 towards and two American experts shortly will arrive in Israel to direct experiments in the construction of adobe housing units.

The adobe structures, the first of which now are being built in a 40-unit project in the Beisan valley to house newcomers, will be larger than the standard new immigrant houses and will require an outlay of only one-third the foreign currency needed for the usual concrete structures.

Building of adobe housing was recommended last year by a committee of experts, appointed by the Ministry of Labor to suggest building methods requiring small foreign currency outlays. (Adobe is alluvial or playa clay found in desert regions, from which unburnt bricks dried in the sun are made).

France Passes Law To Protect Refugees

GENEVA, Switzerland (WNS) France has passed a new law which will protect some 350,000 refugees now living in French territory as well as those who

in the future may seek refuge, the United Nations office here disclosed this week. A new office will be created under the law, with the power to declare persons eligible for international protection and within the mandate of the UN High Commissioner for Refugees.

Judge Charles Aarons Dies
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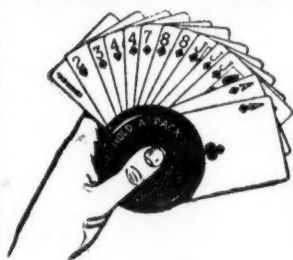
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